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Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Information Disclosure Statement in reply to the Notice of Allowance on July 19, 2007 and further submitted Information Disclosure Statements on September 26, 2007 and October 5, 2007. It has been nine months since the filing of Applicant's RCE, and the undersigned has yet to receive a communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Please advise the undersigned on the current status of the above-identified application.

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